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b. Discussed the subject in the light of:

- (1) An intelligence briefing by the Director of Central Intelligence on the Soviet earth satellite, its relation to the Soviet ballistic missiles program, and world reaction to the Soviet earth satellite.
 - (2) A briefing by the Department of Defense on the information regarding the Soviet earth satellite obtained by scientific tracking, and on the status of the U. S. scientific satellite program under NSC 5520.
 - (3) Comments by the Director, National Science Foundation, and the President, National Academy of Sciences, on the scientific implications of the Soviet earth satellite.
 - (4) An appraisal by the Department of Defense of the military implications for U. S. security of the Soviet earth satellite.
 - (5) An appraisal by the Department of State of the foreign policy implications for U. S. security of the Soviet earth satellite.
- b. Noted the statement by the President on the subject issued at his press conference on October 9, 1957; and the President's statement at this meeting of the importance of adhering to the U. S. scientific satellite program under NSC 5520 as being well-reasoned and deliberately planned.

NOTE: The action in b above, as approved by the President, subsequently circulated for information and guidance to all holders of NSC 5520.

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